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PROPERTY TAX PAYMENT DUE IN THREE DAYS ***Taxpayers Have a Number of New Payment Options This Year***

San Diego County property owners are reminded that the first installment of their 1999-00 property taxes is due Friday, December 10.

County Treasurer-Tax Collector Bart J. Hartman said taxpayers have many new options this year for making their property tax payments. These include payment over the Internet using Visa or Electronic Checks, over the telephone using Visa and Discover, and at new branch offices located in San Marcos, El Cajon, and Chula Vista. All of these new options have proven popular with the public, Hartman said. Payments that are mailed must be postmarked by December 10, and those made in person must be received by 5 p.m., closing time at all Treasurer-Tax Collector's offices.

To pay over the Internet by Visa or E-Check, sign on to the Treasurer-Tax Collector's web site at www.sdtreastax.com, and follow the prompts to the pay-by-Internet system. Property taxes also can be paid over the phone with a credit card. The number to call to pay by Discover card is (619) 236-2330, and the toll-free number to pay by Visa is (888) 245-4349. There are fees charged by the various providers for all these services. The specific fees are disclosed prior to completion of a transaction.

Those who haven't received a tax bill, or need more information, can call the Treasurer-Tax Collector's 24-hour automated information line at (619) 236-2424. The branch offices are located at 334 Via Vera Cruz, #150, behind "Restaurant Row" in San Marcos, 198 West Main Street in El Cajon, and 344 F Street, Suite 200 in Chula Vista.

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